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In Brief

Lake Association golf outing, hog roast

The Lake Maxinkuckee Association will hold its annual golf outing and hog roast Friday, July 2, with golf beginning at noon at Mystic Hills golf course, and the hog roast, silent auction (and \$500 grand prize drawing) at 5:30 p.m. at the Maxinkuckee Country Club. Proceeds benefit the Lake Patrol. Events are open to the public.

Community volunteers needed for BIRD

Several Culver area young people have formed the BIRD project (Building, Inspiring, Recreating, and Discovering) and are seeking local folks in need of assistance with projects such as yard work, clean-up efforts, and the like, as well as volunteers to help with the work. BIRD will culminate the weekend of July 30 through August 1 with live music, family-style cookouts, and community fellowship in Culver. Those interested may call 216-280-5065. Applications for projects needing volunteer labor are available at Culver's town hall and public library, and those received will be reviewed by the committee, though one doesn't necessarily need to apply on paper to request aid. The deadline for requests is July 1.

Fire dept. golf scramble rescheduled

Due to the weather last Friday night and damage sustained at Mystic Hills golf course, Culver's volunteer fire department was forced to reschedule its annual golf scramble. The event will take place Sunday, July 11, with lunch about 12:30 p.m. with sign-in and door prizes. Tee-off is scheduled for 2 p.m. There's still room for teams, sponsors, and more door prizes for those interested in donating. Questions may be directed to 574-952-2809.

Carillon series continues

John Gouwens, carillonneur and organist of the Academies, will present a series of recitals on the 51-bell carillon at the Culver Academies Memorial Chapel this summer.

In the event of rain or cold, the tower will be open to the public during the re

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Anniversary for a Culver icon

ABOVE, LEFT: Susie Mahler, founder and owner of downtown Culver's Cafe Max, stands at left near a model of the famous Culver Military Academy square-rigger the O.W. Fowler, built by its designer and builder WC Craft, and surrounded by more of the Culver historical memorabilia for which the restaurant is famous. Inset is the original photo and headline announcing the opening of Cafe Max in the *Culver Citizen* in June, 1985.

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The 'Bone Crusher' catches some air

ABOVE, RIGHT: The "Bone Crusher" Rusty Malinoski, famous the world over in the wakeboarding community for being the first rider to land two 1080s, hits the air above Lake Maxinkuckee during a demonstration last Thursday as part of a visit to the Culver Marina for autograph signing, the demonstration, and some shared time on the water with area raffle winners J.D. Showley, Chad Beatty, and Alexi Lamping.

Cafe Max at 25

Downtown eatery has drawn together diverse elements of Culver community, displayed its history for quarter-century

By Jeff Kenney
Citizen editor
Ask most folks in Culver to list the places or events a first-time visitor "must" work in, in order to realize the full "Culver experience," and answers will, of course, vary. But few would deny that Cafe Max in downtown Culver captures the ambiance of the varied facets of the Culver community in a unique and defining manner.

This summer, the restaurant which was the vision of Culver High School graduate Susie Mahler celebrates its silver (25th) anniversary as a local fixture. But it's more than the decor on the walls -- though one could almost construct a history of the area by taking in the sights on those walls from one's seat -- that has cemented its status in the community. Cafe Max has managed a deceptively unusual feat: to seemingly

bridge the many minor "gaps" between Culver's various communities of town, Lake Maxinkuckee, and Culver Academies. It's not unusual to spot diners from very diverse backgrounds and stations in life seated throughout the place.

Mahler, who was just 22 when she bought the business, attributes this wide mixture of clientele and regard across virtually all barriers differences not only to her inclusion of Culver's various communities in the restaurant's decor, but also in her even-handed approach to her customers.

"Unintentionally in trying to build my business, I did what I thought would make it a good restaurant and to accommodate my customers," she reflects, "not what did I think would get me more Academy or lake people only, or what would just the locals like.

What would I like in a restaurant? We treated everybody the same..."

To illustrate this point, Susie Mahler tells one of her favorite stories, of one of Culver Military Academy's most famous alums, George Steinbrenner.

"It was Academy grad weekend," she recalls, "and we don't jump people. We seat everybody in order as they come in. A lady from the Academy was on the list and was very friendly; I didn't know her name at the time. When I got down to her name...she had to go get her father in from the car, and it was George Steinbrenner. George comes in, and it's a packed waiting line. I brought (his party) in and showed them their seat...I didn't know who the guy was! With a smile on his face and in a kind way, he said, 'Wow, even in New York at Club 54, I don't have to wait in

line, but in Culver, Indiana, I wait in line!' I spun around and with a smile and said, 'See that little gray-haired lady down the way? That's my grandmother, and she waited in line!' I think that's why he (Steinbrenner) loved the Cafe. He and his wife and kids and grandkids always came in."

Even now, she adds, John Cougar Mellencamp waits in line when he dines at Cafe Max. "Nobody complains because we are fair. We don't take photos. I figure they (celebrities) are here to see family; Culver is really all about family; you're here to be with your family at the Academy or lake, so when they come in, we don't take photos or let the staff ask for autographs. I've had John Denver, Kurt Vonnegut, Malcolm Forbes...I've had TV celebrities and recording artists."

Like many in their teens and early 20s, Susie Mahler planned to move away from Culver. She had worked in its restaurants, including the root beer stand starting at age 14, and spent a year at age 16 working in what is today Cafe Max, when it was still the Home Restaurant, run by Marge Rinehart. By age 20, she began dating someone seriously and realized for the first time she'd probably be staying in Culver, "So I decided to buy a business before I got married. When I was 21 I was working at the Corner Tavern (today's Corndance Cafe, at Main and Madison Streets) and approached Nancy (Curtis) and Louise (Measels) to buy the restaurant (then known as Nan-E-Lou's) and they agreed they wanted to sell."

Measels, however, had second thoughts and bought out Curtis' portion of the business, intending to con-

Walls of Cafe Max capture history of Culver

By Jeff Kenney
Citizen editor

For years before Culver had either of its two downtown museums, Cafe Max served as a kind of unofficial local history museum, or at least a place to drink in Culver's varied past while sipping one's coffee or having a bite to eat.

Cafe Max owner Susie Mahler describes the restaurant's decor when she first purchased it 25 years ago as "a gold casino look," with dark paneled walls, a drop ceiling, and fluorescent lighting.

"I stripped it all down," she recalls. "It was very bare then. Remember, I didn't have a plan for this restaurant because I wasn't planning on buying it at the time. I was kind of winging it, trying to think between working my 6 a.m. to midnight hours.

"I wish I knew who it was," she continues, "but a customer said, 'Why don't you decorate with Culver memorabilia? I wanted to decorate with memorabilia of the whole community: it's town, lake, and Academy, that's who our community is. It was never a question of excluding somebody."

Mahler addressed Culver's Kiwanis Club last month at Cafe Max about the genesis of the artifacts and memorabilia which line its walls, pointing out the building itself is historic (in the 1920s and 30s, for example, it housed one of Culver's multiple cinemas, the Home Theatre), as is its tin ceiling and wood floors.

She explained the large photos -- called composites -- of seniors from Culver

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Lake Max Swim for Kids' Sake a success

The first annual Swim For Kids' Sake open water swim was held June 12, just off of the public beach area in Culver. Forty-three athletes entered the clear waters of Lake Maxinkuckee and all forty-three finished their race, said Mallory Mead, race director. Distances included half-mile, one Mile, 5k, and 10k swims. The event, which was a fundraiser for Riley Hospital for Children and the PLGA Foundation (pediatric brain tumor research) was able to raise just under \$3,400 for these two charities.

The night before the race, a pre-race dinner was held at Culver Cove Resort and included a pasta buffet. Both Mead, an ultra-marathon swimmer originally from Plymouth, and Erica Rose, a 10-time National Champion and Former Open Water World Champion in the 5k, spoke about their experiences in the sport of open water swimming.

The idea for the Swim for Kid's Sake was first planted when Mallory and her father, Kip Cook, raced across Lake Maxinkuckee as part of her English Channel swim send-off party (she swam two 2.5 mile lengths of the lake, while he swam one). Although Mallory was not victorious that day, she could not help but think of the possibilities that surround the second largest naturally-occurring lake in Indiana.

Mallory Mead called her father, Kip Cook, "the silent man behind the curtain. His official title was 'Results Clerk,' but he was so much more than that. Imagine being bossed around by your 24 year old daughter! This was his life for 10 months, and he took it very graciously. My mother, Janece Cook, took the reins on concessions, and she somehow bought the exact right amount of food."

Mead also thanked Will Simmons and John and Melody Elliot, who checked in swimmers and made sure they had t-shirts, caps, and were marked, as well as Dick Niemi, the event announcer. John Heister was Head Referee, among other volunteers.

The thunderstorms predicted for the day held off until after the last kayak was packed away after the race's conclusion, noted Mead.

Of those swimming in the event, the Traveler Award went to Shawn Wussow, who traveled from Hawaii to attend the swim. The Top Fundraiser Award was given to Ruchi Shah, who collected more than

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Community calendar

Thurs., July 1
 Kiwanis Club mtg., noon, Culver Public Library
 Story time, 10 a.m., Culver Public Library
 Knights St. Mary of the Lake Council #13720 social mtg., 7 p.m., church rectory basement
 Council fire program, 9 p.m., Culver Academies Bird Sanctuary

Fri., July 2
 Computer class, 10 a.m., Culver Public Library
 Community garden work session, 5 p.m., corner Slate and Lewis Streets

Sat., July 3
 Culver Farmer's Market, 8 a.m.
 Quilting group, 9 a.m., Culver Public Library
 Lake Maxinkuckee Association golf outing, noon, Mystic Hills golf course

Carillon recital, 4 p.m., Culver Academies Memorial Chapel

Sun., July 4
 (Independence Day)
 4th of July fireworks, 9 p.m., Culver Academies

Mon., July 5
 Culver Public Library, REAL Meals, and some other public entities closed in observance of July 4 holiday
 Community garden work session, 5 p.m., corner Slate and Lewis Streets
 DivorceCare, 7 p.m., Grace United Church of Christ

Tues., July 6
 Tuesday Tea and Craft, 3 p.m., Market Basket & Co.
 OA, AA meeting (open), 6:30 p.m., Culver Public Library

Culver Chamber of Commerce mtg., 6:30 p.m., Culver Marina

Weds., July 7
 Movie (children's Summer Reading event), 9:30 a.m., Culver Public Library
 Genealogy mtg., 10 a.m., Culver Public Library
 Community garden work session, 10 a.m. and 5 p.m., corner Slate and Lewis Streets
 Garden Club, 6 p.m., Culver Public Library
 Culver Park board mtg., 7 p.m., town hall

Thurs., July 8
 Kiwanis Club mtg., noon, Culver Public Library
 Story time, 10 a.m., Culver Public Library
 Knights of Columbus St. Mary of the Lake Council social mtg., 7 p.m., church rectory basement

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RIGHT: Swimming champions Mallory Mead, left, and Erica Rose spoke at a pre-race dinner at the Culver Cove the evening before the Swim for Kids Sake last month.



BELOW: A group of swimmers departs from the town park area in Culver.



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\$650. Senior Swimmer was John Gough, and the "Pug Award" went to Herman Arrivilaga (awarded to the person who makes the race director laugh the most during the race directing process).

"I look forward to growing this event year after year," added Mead, "impacting the lives of kids everywhere, and showing off the hidden 'gem' that is Lake Maxinkuckee and the town of Culver, Indiana."

The date for the next Swim For Kids' Sake has been set for June 11, 2011. Those interested in getting involved in next year's event, either as a swimmer, volunteer, or sponsor, may contact race director Mallory Mead at mallory.mead@hotmail.com. More information about the Swim For Kids' Sake as well as results can be found at mallorymead.com/events-2/swim-for-kids-sake-2010.

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Obituary - VanDerWeele

Joanne Price VanDerWeele

June 1, 1923 — June 21, 2010

DONALDSON — Joanne Price VanDerWeele, a resident of the Maria Center in Donaldson, died at the Catherine Kasper Life Center at 2:50 p.m. Monday, June 21, 2010.

Born in Fulton County, Ind. June 1, 1923, she was the fourth of eight children of Ernest M. and Susie Keeler Miller. After graduating from Rochester High School in 1941 and marrying Roy Price, she worked in the war effort while her husband served in the Army Air Corps in World War II.



In 1950 Joanne and Roy moved to Culver where they raised their two daughters. Joanne was active in the community including serving on the library board, as a PTA officer and volunteer, as a Brownie Scout leader, and as a Republican Party precinct vice-committeewoman. Many of her daughters' friends still refer to her as their "second mother."

After both daughters were in school, she began her long career in county government, first working as the Marshall County Deputy Recorder for Lloyd Beatty. In 1966, at the urging of Bill Gee and Dr. Otis Bowen, she ran for county clerk and became the first woman ever elected as a Marshall County officeholder. She subsequently served in county government for 42 years, including as county auditor and four terms on the Marshall County Council, where she served as president for a period of time. She was elected by county-wide vote in seven elections, more than any other court house official. She served for many years as secretary of the Indiana Association of County Councils and was honored as the Outstanding Councilperson of the Year for the State of Indiana in 1999.

As county clerk, Joanne literally worked seven days a week for the first two years before taking her first day off, a long weekend excursion with her daughters to Bardstown, Ky. and Mammoth Cave. Oftentimes she would drive from the courthouse back to Culver to fix dinner for her younger child, still in high school, only to return to the office after dinner for several more hours. When she first assumed office, the clerk's office had only two full-time deputies but she was assisted part-time for election board work by Mary Stackhouse and Mary Burkett, who accomplished on typewriters all of the election work that is now done on computers. Along with fellow election board members George Davis and George Miles, she initiated the use of voting machines, which replaced paper ballots. While she served as county clerk, Marshall County established a second court and then a third, and the clerk's office added one more deputy each time they added a court.

In 1970, following her younger daughter's high school graduation, she moved from Culver to Plymouth, where she remained until December, 2008, when she moved to the Maria Center. As county auditor she helped pioneer the county's switch from typewriters — for taxes and payrolls — to computers for the first time.

Roy Price died in 1967 and in 1973 she married Gene VanDerWeele, a widower from Argos. Gene died of cancer in 1990, but during their marriage they spent a summer in Alaska, a voyage among giant whales in Mexico, trips to France, Germany, Belgium, the Netherlands, and many shorter adventures to nearly all 50 states in their motor home. Additionally they loved to fish, hunt for mushrooms, cross-county ski, bird watch, work in their woodworking shop, and play cards.

After Gene's death, she began playing bridge with several groups. More than the challenge of game itself, she loved the companionship of the many friends she made through the game. She was an elder of the Plymouth Presbyterian Church and a 50-year-plus member, and past Worthy Matron, of Eastern Star. Unquestionably the biggest thrill of her life occurred in 2004 while visiting her granddaughter Margaret, then a Notre Dame undergraduate studying in Rome. Following a large Wednesday audience, she was blessed by The Holy Father, Pope John Paul II, an occasion that was memorialized in photographs taken by an official Vatican photographer and which she cherished the rest of her life.

Since retiring from the county council and several boards of directors at the end of 2008 and moving to the Maria Center, she has enjoyed catching up on her reading. She played games every night after dinner with some of the numerous friends she has made at the Maria Center. As recently as June 9, she enjoyed playing bridge at the senior center in Plymouth and was cheerful and upbeat in a phone conversation just minutes before her death. She was thankful for her many blessing during her time with family and friends and welcomed His promise of everlasting life.

Joanne is survived by daughters, Judy Price Reynolds of Culver and her children Margaret and John, and by Janelle (William) Kauffman of Shortsville, N.Y. and their children Alex and Claire. She is also survived by stepdaughter Kay (Larry) Davis, Culver, and their children Angela and Christopher, and stepson Kenn (Cheryl) VanDerWeele, Leo, Ind. and their children Brad and Jeff. Also surviving are numerous great-grandchildren; her brother, Ralph W. (Betty) Miller, Texarkana, Texas; and a sister, Mildred M. (Ned) Bemenderfer, South Bend.

Joanne was preceded in death by husbands, Roy and Gene; two brothers, Ernest F. Miller Jr. and Richard M. Miller; and three sisters: Norma Donovan, Martha Thompson, and Carole Paulik.

Visitation with Joanne's family was in the Johnson-Danielson Funeral Home, 1100 N. Michigan St., Plymouth, Friday, June 25, from 4 to 8 p.m., with an Eastern Star service at 7:30 p.m.

The funeral was at 10 a.m. Saturday, June 26, with calling one hour prior to services in the Ancilla Domini Chapel, Donaldson. The Rev. Paul Nye officiated.

Burial was in the Culver Masonic Cemetery, Culver.

Memorial gifts in Joanne's name may be made to the Hemminger House at P.O. Box #4, Plymouth, IN, 46563 or to a charity of the donor's choice.

Letters of condolence may be sent to the family online via www.johnson-danielson.com.

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Obituary - Zwecker

Margaret B. Zwecker

July 22, 1910 — June 19, 2010

CULVER — Margaret B. Zwecker, 99, of Culver, died June 19, 2010 at Miller's Merry Manor in Culver, one month short of her 100th birthday.

Margaret "Peg" was born to Grant Bushee and Mabel Hamilton July 22, 1910 in Buda, Ill. She was married Nov. 20, 1944 to William R. Zwecker. He preceded her in death.

Peg was a journalist with numerous honors. She served as food and home furnishings editor of the Chicago Times from 1937 to 1941, fashion and beauty editor, author of "Fashionably Speaking" newspaper column, and fashion and beauty editor of the Chicago Sun-Times from 1945 to 1949. In 1950 she became fashion and beauty editor of the Chicago Daily News.

She initiated the Chicago Daily News Fashion award in 1962 as well as doing TV fashion specials for WFLD. She was the fashion editor of Onmibus magazine in 1963 and the former writer of "Peg Says" column. In 1970 she was coordinator and commentator of the Chicago Look Fashion Show for Mayor's Com. Econ. And Cultural Development. She was also fashion correspondent for the Christian Science Monitor and lecturer on culture and history of fashion.

Peg was a member of the University of Illinois Foundation committee for the restoration of Jane Addams Hull Mansion in 1963. Her other memberships included the Women's Division of West Suburban Hospital, Honorary Director of Children's Aid of LaRabida, women's auxiliary of Robert E. Wood Boys Club, Art Institute of Chicago, Chicago Historical Society Guild who acquired Great Lady Collection president's wives' gowns for permanent collection of Costume Gallery in 1963, Fashion Group of Chicago, Chi Omega, Women's National Press (Washington), and Chicago Press. She was also an Episcopalian by faith.

Her awards include: Ann. Editors award national Fur Information and Fashion Council in 1961, Golden Slipper award from the Natl. Shoe Inst. In 1963, 67, Am. Newspaper award Hadassah, 1964, 1st FRANY award for outstanding coverage N.Y. fashions given by the mayor of New York in 1967, Ann. Stick-O-Type award for general excellence in fashion and fall fashion secretary of Chicago newspaper Guild in 1965, 1st men's award from national Footwear Institute in 1966, Special Achievement award from American Institute of Men's and Boy's Wear, Inc in 1965, and the International Gold Mantilla award - French Government, 1969. She was inducted into the Chicago Journalism Hall of Fame in 1005.

Margaret is survived by her son, William R. Zwecker of Chicago, Ill.; daughter, Janet Stannard Kline of Culver; five grandchildren; and 10 great-grandchildren. She was preceded in death by three brothers and two sisters.

A celebration of Margaret's life was held Saturday, July 24, at 1 p.m. EDT in the Culver Memorial Chapel at Culver Academies.

In lieu of flowers, the family asks for donations to be sent to Culver Miller's Merry Manor in memory of Margaret Zwecker. This fund will be available to assist the nurses at the nursing home that showered Margaret with undying love and care. Donations are to be sent to Culver Miller's Merry Manor, 730 School Street, Culver, IN, 46511.

Condolences may be sent to the family via the obituary page at www.odomfuneral-home.com.

The Odom Funeral Home, Culver, is in charge of arrangements.

REAL Services menu

To share a meal at REAL Meals, call Ruth Walker at the nutrition site (the Culver beach lodge) before 11 a.m. the day before for reservations, at 574-842-8878. A donation is suggested for each meal.

Thurs., July 1: BBQ pork, bun, baked beans, mixed vegetables, pineapple, birthday treat, and milk.

Fri., July 2: Cheese-

burger with pickles, lettuce, tomato, baked beans, cauliflower and broccoli salad, bun, holiday cupcake, 100 percent juice, and milk.

Mon., July 5: Closed for the holiday.

Tues., July 6: Spaghetti, tossed salad, Italian dressing, garlic bread, green beans, pineapple, and milk.

Weds., July 7: Salisbury steak with gravy, carrots, broccoli, wheat bread and

margarine, strawberries, and milk.

Thurs., July 8: Stuffed green peppers, scalloped potatoes, wheat roll and margarine, fresh fruit in season, 100 percent juice, and milk.

Fri., July 9: Chicken and noodles, mashed potatoes, green beans, bread and margarine, tropical fruit, brownie with whipped topping, and milk.

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Tackling 'summer brain drain' in kids

With thousands of youth out of school for the summer, Culver Boys & Girls Club offers a place for all kids to be safe, and fight the "Summer Brain Drain".

While many lucky out-of-school youth will look forward this summer to exciting camps or trips to Disney many more will find themselves with few structured activities, parents who are working all day – and too much time to get into trouble with crime, drugs, or other negative activities. Many kids can not afford to go to camp or feel they are too old to be "baby-sat". The club is offering young people an inexpensive safe, fun, and positive place to spend the summer months.

During the school year, the hours young people spend after school offer the most danger – and the most opportunity – of any part of their day. More than 14 million kids are alone and unsupervised after school and Porter County is no different.

Over the summer, the numbers get even worse: More than one-third of students will spend at least three days home alone each week this summer. Parents are especially concerned about summer and see these months as the hardest time to make sure their child has things to do.

According to the Center for Summer Learning at Johns Hopkins University, "Summer Brain Drain" is a seasonal malady that causes millions of young people to lose months of accumulated knowledge. Educators see summer vacation as a learning challenge. Some young people take advantage of the time to get ahead and prepare for demanding college prep classes.

However, many parents argue that summer is a time to allow kids to relax by the pool and build sand castles on the beach, not practice their algebra and periodic tables. Unfortunately, the cost of a summer of total relaxation is that many young people return to school in the fall only to find they have forgotten months of learning from the previous school year. This is "Summer Brain Drain," also known as summer learning loss.

Summer Brain Drain hits particularly hard among young people from low-income households or those in which both parents work. For them, it only exacerbates their challenges. Faced with difficult home and economic situations, many young people are likely to accept lower standards of academic achievement, lessening their aspirations for higher education.

There are many benefits of quality summer programs like the club and older kids love it as much as the younger ones. Out-of-school programs have been shown to increase involvement in crime, improve behavior at school and heighten interest in learning.



CULVER BOYS & GIRLS CLUB
BY JENNIFER WRIGHT, M.S.

Marianne Peters recycle column

Letters to the editor

Teens' post-storm kindness deserves thanks

I just wanted to share one example of "small town values" that I witnessed shortly after our Friday night storm. I noticed that South Plymouth Street just south of my house was impassable due to fallen branches. It was still raining and I went out to see if I could clear the road. I began pulling the branches that I was physically able to pull off the roadway (I had back surgery in October).

To my great surprise, a black station wagon stopped. Three teenage boys got out of the station wagon and asked if I needed help! I gladly accepted the kind offer of the teens. After the road was cleared, I asked their names. So a "thank you" goes out to exceptional teenagers, Mike, Ryan and Marco from Long Point. What a refreshing experience in this day and age! As I drove up town, I saw these same teenagers getting back into the station wagon after cleaning debris from the Obispo Street area. Thank you Mike, Ryan and Marco - you are a credit to our town and our small town values.

**Jan Johnson
Culver**

Fire sirens in Culver

Dear Editor,
I have lived in Culver all of my life (48 years). I have lived on the south end of town for the past 23 years. My concern is that the fire siren does not sound now on the north or south end of town (the south end siren is broken and I hope it gets fixed soon). I also should have spoken my mind when the issue first arose months ago.

When I hear the siren go off I'm alerted that there might be fireman coming and also a short time later the trucks will be going out. There are no sirens on their vehicles, just the blue flashing light.

The siren on the town hall isn't loud enough to hear. Sounds like a sick moose.
When the siren goes off for fires, you know its working (its like a test). I'd hate to find out the siren doesn't work when a tornado or other emergency is happening.

The sirens can be disturbing but it has always been that way and you just deal with it. This affects not only Culver citizens but other area residents as well.

I would also like the noon whistle be reinstalled. If there are any others that feel the same way I do, please join me at the next town board meeting, Tuesday, July 13 at 6:30 p.m.

**Gale Craft
Culver**

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High School all predate the 1968 consolidation of area schools into the present-day Culver Community High School. Another customer suggested she contact Gloria Banks.

"(The Culver High School building) was my mother's high school," explained Mahler, "my junior high, and my sister's elementary. When they remodeled it, they took the photos down and started giving them away. Somebody called up Gloria, who was director of the Culver High School Alumni Association, and she gathered as many as she could, got all but about two or three of the big ones. She stored them in garages, houses, the old VFW house -- all over the place. She also got the senior trip photos. The big class photos go back to 1940, and senior trip ones back to 1920."

Mahler noted all memorabilia pertaining to the town of Culver -- including the high school photos -- is willed to the Antiquarian and Historical Society of Culver, while Culver Academies-related items are willed to the Academies museum, in the event she sells the restaurant or at her death.

She pointed out to her Kiwanis audience several particular items, such as original Culver Citizen newspapers from the two earliest robberies of Culver's State Exchange Bank (1920 and 1933), early Woodcraft and other Academies uniforms, and a handful of senior cords from Culver High School. A lost art today, senior girls collected classmates' signatures on "jumper" attire known as senior cords, while senior boys collected the same on pants, a practice Mahler said ended in the late 1960s "when foul language began to appear on them."

A model of the iconic Academies three-masted square rigger, the Fowler, adorns the south entryway of Cafe Max, constructed by Lymon Craft, the designed and builder of the full-size original Fowler, and the wooden hutch in the same room, notes Mahler, was used as a workbench in the business which once occupied the space, Al's TV and Appliances. "You can even see the burn marks when people would smoke a lot and lay their cigarettes down," added Mahler with a smile.

Where in the world was the Culver Citizen?

In last week's photo, the *Culver Citizen* traveled all the way to Mendenhall Glacier, near Juneau, Alaska, where Culver resident Jean Kindred stopped while on a recent cruise through the Inside Passage with daughters Claudia and Valerie, and son-in-law Bruce. Majestic Mendenhall Glacier is 12 miles long, 1.5 miles wide and comprised of ice 400 to 800 feet deep. The photo was submitted by daughter, Claudia Johnson. Leroy Bean gets partial credit for admirably recognizing the photo as that of a glacier and guessing Glacier National Park, the closest guess we received! Meanwhile, reader Elaine Handschu guessed our previous week's "Where in the World" photo but was omitted from mention, for which the editor apologizes.



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Name that Culver "citizen"

Last week's Mystery Citizen, longtime Culver High School history teacher Latham Lawson, was spotted by several readers, and the editor figures if I'd used the photo of him from that period with his glasses, the rest of our readers would have known him as well! As a teacher, of course, Latham Lawson was a Culver institution, and through the years he's been a familiar face in community endeavors ranging from the Wesley United Methodist Church to Culver's park board (and other boards) to the Culver Kiwanis Club,



to name a few. Readers recognizing him included Lora Pinder, Judy Sawhook, Judi Burns, Lynn Overmyer, Leroy Beans, Phyllis Lindvall, and Jim Taber. This week's Mystery Citizen is quite visible around Culver and has in recent years been centrally involved in some local events well-known to many. Guesses may be emailed to citizen@culcom.net, dropped off in one of our drop boxes (located at the Culver Public Library and Culver Coffee Company), or call the editor at 574-216-0075.



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Culver's Haynes Cafe from page A1 ordained Deacon

The Rev. Thomas E. Haynes (left), a member of the Culver Academies Math Department, was ordained a Deacon in the Episcopal Church June 15. He has been working his way through seminary courses since 2007, and has been involved with the Spiritual Life program at the Academies for several years, currently serving as Assistant Director. Pictured at right is Northern Indiana Episcopal Bishop Edward Little, who ordained Haynes.

Haynes plans to continue teaching math and working with the religious programs on campus. He will continue serving as the Pastor of St. Elizabeth's in Culver. His ordination gives him a new uniform though, and he appreciates all those who have helped to form him for ordained ministry. Haynes is currently working on a D.Min. in Educational Leadership from Virginia Theological Seminary in Alexandria, VA. Since he is a transitional deacon, he will be ordained an Episcopal priest sometime in the next 2010 - 2011 school year.

Kitchell named choir director at Culver's Wesley church

The grandson of a former Culver railroader has been chosen as the new choir director at Culver Wesley United Methodist Church.

Dave Kitchell, who has been choir director at Flora First Christian Church for the past nine years, succeeds Ann Bigley, who retired last month after serving the parish for 50 years. Bigley will remain with the choir as a vocalist.

"It's a privilege to follow Ann in this position because she's been such a part of this ministry and community for so many years," Kitchell said. "She will continue to be a vital part of the choir as a member, as well as a pianist and occasionally making cameo appearances as director. The choir is a testament to her years of dedication and this opportunity is one I will cherish."



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Dave Kitchell (seated) is the new choir director at Culver Wesley United Methodist Church. Among the voices in his choir will be his wife, Julie, standing. The couple has one son Max (left) and one daughter, Golda, who is named for his late aunt, Golda Nelson, of Donaldson.

Kitchell has been a United Methodist for 42 years. He is a teacher at Frontier Junior-Senior High School and previously taught at Ball State after a 25-year newspaper career with the Logansport Pharos-Tribune. He and his wife, Julie, are the parents of two children and are expecting their third child in November.

He is a graduate of Purdue University where he was a four-year member of the university's top instrumental organization, the Purdue Symphonic Band. He graduated as concertmaster in 1980.

He was a member of the Iron Horse Festival Celebration Chorus for 10 years, serving four as director. For the past three years, he has directed the Flora Community Choir Easter Cantata. He also was involved with the production of three charitable musicales for Youth for Christ and was the lead in the Lafayette Civic Theater's production of "Sound of Music".

Kitchell's grandfather, William Robbins, was a railroad telegrapher in Culver during the 1930s and lived on Lake Street. His mother, Maryalice, was raised in Culver before the family moved to Kewanna and eventually to Logansport.

He begins his duties as choir director July 1. The choir will begin rehearsals in late August and begin its 2010-11 season Labor Day weekend. The church is located on School Street and anyone interested in joining the choir may contact Kitchell at davidkitchell@verizon.net or (765) 427-3927.

tinue running it. Mahler, meantime, decided to take the real estate course and head a different direction, eventually earning her real estate license in May, 1985 with plans to be married June 8. "That month," says Mahler, "Louise came back and said, 'I changed my mind Do you want to buy it?'"

She did, and the newlywed found herself in the restaurant business, quietly taking over the place June 30, just before the July 4 weekend.

Mahler changed the name of the business immediately, though she points out the "Max" in the restaurant's name has nothing to do with Lake Maxinkuckee, as everyone assumes. "Max was just a name I liked. I didn't even realize the (lake) connection until customers years later said, 'Isn't that cool that you named it after the lake?'"



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Susanna Quilters display this month

The Susanna Circle Quilters of Wesley United Methodist Church will not be having their quilt show at the church this year; however, they will be having a display of their personal quilts at the Culver Public Library in downtown Culver, for all to see and admire. The show will run the entire month of July. These quilts are for display only, not for sale. However, the Quilters will have a booth at Culver's Lake Fest on Saturday, July 17 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. The booth, located in the Town Park, will have several quilts for sale and a variety of small items.

Council covers last-minute trash changes

By Jeff Kenney
Citizen editor

As Culver is just days away from its transition to town-wide trash service, a portion of last Tuesday's Town Council meeting was devoted to clarifying some specifics of the new arrangement, in which Culver has contracted with Allied Waste for the next three years to collect trash and recycling for Culver residents.

Bob Stone, representing Allied, noted the company plans to pick up trash from its existing customers one final time July 1, even though technically that day falls in between the end of its prior agreement and the beginning of the new service, which kicks off officially on Monday, July 5. He also said new, 25-gallon recycling bins for Culver residents will begin to be distributed immediately, and asked people to keep recycling bins and trash receptacles five to six feet apart. Recycling, which will take place every other week rather than weekly, does not require separation of types of recyclables (such as paper, metal, and plastic), Stone added.

Stone also said Allied employees will not haul away extra, unneeded trash cans from customers unless a given customer calls the company and requests the can to be taken, or leaves a note on a given can asking them to do so.

The Council opted not to make a final decision -- but will discuss at a work session next week -- a request from Bayside Condominiums in Culver to allow the facility to continue sharing a trash dumpster with nearby Elizabeth's Garden. It was noted the Council had previously stated any dumpster in use must be on the property of the facility using it, and in that facility's name, unlike the proposed arrangement. Culver's town-wide trash service does allow apartment buildings, condominium facilities, and similar multi-unit structures to use a dumpster for their trash collection, though arrangement is to be made with the town in order to do so.

How to handle the preponderance of trees felled by the previous Friday evening's "hurricane force" winds in Culver was also discussed.

Mike Stallings, representing Culver's Tree Commission, said the possibility of storm-damaged trees in town-owned parkways (the area along public streets, which is legally within the town's jurisdiction rather than the property owner's) was not covered in Culver's Tree Commission ordinance.

"When there are trees in parkways that are badly damaged," said Stallings, "it raises issues of who takes them out and pays for the removal of them."

Specifically, Stallings noted the situation of a homeowner on Lakeview Street whose house was damaged by a large tree limb during the storm. The remaining trunk of the tree, located in the town right-of-way, "is probably dangerous the way it is," said Stallings. "The inside of it is gone."

The homeowner paid Pro Tree Services to remove the tree, but "figuratively speaking, it's our (Culver's) tree," Stallings continued.

He also noted he stopped one resident from removing a tree in the town parkway due to an ordinance forbidding such an action without permission from the town.

Council members discussed what funds might be available both for the aforementioned homeowner and for similar cases in the future, with Council member Ralph Winters adding, "I would like to pay for (the cost of the Lakeview Street tree removal), but we might want to wait for (Town Manager Michael Doss and Town Clerk Casey Howard)." Both Doss and Howard were unable to attend the meeting.

The Council decided to discuss the matter further in the upcoming work session.

A public hearing was held to discuss a grant application made on behalf of the town by Shannon McLeod of Priority Project Resources to tackle the town's planned wastewater improvement project. The application for \$994,000 in federal Disaster Recovery 2 monies will be made through the Indiana Office of Community and Rural Affairs, with plans to continue replacement of some of Culver's sewer lines as well as improvements at the town's wastewater treatment plant. Culver has agreed to a \$425,000 match for the grant, whose results are scheduled to be announced in September. If the money is awarded, bidding would likely begin for the project in spring, 2011, with actual work beginning that summer, said McLeod.

Winters noted the town is likely near to an agreement with Lake Maxinkuckee's Southwest Conservancy District, which will join the town's municipal sewer system if an agreement is reached. A portion

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One of the world's best shows his stuff at Lake Max

By Rusty Nixon
Correspondent

CULVER — While his competitors and those in the wakeboarding world may know him as "Bone Crusher," those who had a chance to see and meet one of the top pros in the world at his sport came away with a very different impression than his nickname would imply.

Rusty Malinoski — considered by many the top wakeboarder in the world today — made a stop in Culver to show some of the moves that have earned him that praise, and meet fans who came out to wish him well. Sponsored by Culver Marina, Malinoski showed the name Bone Crusher speaks of his power and strength in the water, but not his love of his fans.

"Bonecrusher" got his name due to the fact that he's broken 18 bones in his career — 17 were his.

"It's really great to come out," he said relaxing after some runs near Culver beach showing off his skill with several lucky fans who got to ride along. "It was a great day and really great to be out on the water. I think it was a lot of fun for everybody to get a chance to ride."

It's Malinoski's second stop in Culver. He was here three years ago as part of a group of pro riders, sponsored that time by Culver Marina as well. He still has a little trouble finding his way around the town though.

"The town has really changed a lot since the last time I was here," he said with a smile. "Especially (the Marina). They've really grown with the restaurant here — the pro shop — the marina; it's a fantastic set up. You know I really have to say this is one of the best places I've ever been. I get to places all over the world and the guys here really have the right idea. It's just great."

"I mean that's what it's all about, getting on the boat, getting out on the water, hanging out with friends. That's what summer is supposed to be. I really have to give a shout out to Culver Marina. They really know how to do it the right way."

A native of Canada, Malinoski was playing hockey and riding motocross in his small town home in Saskatchewan. Then a friend changed his life forever.

"I came to it like most guys I guess," he said. "A friend took me out for the first time and I fell in love with the sport. I just had a real passion for it. I loved to do it all the time. It got to the point where it was really all I could think about. But we had some pretty short summer's to enjoy it."

Being noticed quickly Malinoski got his first break.

"I worked really hard at it, I had a lot of passion for the sport and I think I got pretty good, pretty fast. Then I got a chance to go to Florida which is like the Mecca of wakeboarding," he said. "A lot of real cool things started happening, and once I got there it was like 'game on'. I got a chance to prove myself and once that happened that was it."

"I had a chance to compare myself to some of the other guys and I thought I had a chance. Then once you win your first contest as a pro, you're there — you're one of the boys."

Moving to Florida also gained him some peace of mind.

"I got my first professional sponsor," he said. "I knew I was strong, and passionate about what I was doing, and I had a good work ethic, but that first sponsor takes a lot of the pressure off. You didn't have to wake up everyday wondering how you were going to pay the rent, you know? I could just work at being the best I could be at what I loved to do."

It's that love of what they are doing he encourages young wakeboarder's to foster.

"Just love what you're doing and don't stress out about it," he said. "Worry about trying to get good and have fun. There's a million things to learn, take your time and enjoy what you're doing."

It's obvious he's taken his own advice and likes sharing that good time with all who come out to see him.

"Somebody asked me how long I'm going to keep doing this and as long as I keep having fun I'm going to keep going. I get to go to all sorts of places and meet all kinds of really cool people and I love that. I feel like I'm getting better every year and as long as I keep getting better and stay healthy it's cool."

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Stanley Curtis

A brother remembered, part 2

By Tom Curtis

Editor's note: Part one of this article ran in the June 17 edition of the Citizen, with plans to conclude it in last week's (June 24) edition. The editor apologizes for its omission last week. What follows is the continuation of Tom Curtis' remembrance of his brother, Stanley E. Curtis, University of Illinois professor emeritus

and one of the world's most influential scientists in the field of animal behavior and wellbeing, who died April 25 at the age of 68. Considered the foremost champion of science-based criteria for evaluating animal welfare, his work has directly influenced the global debate on these issues and helped define how food animals are treated in the United States. Curtis grew up on a farm near Culver, graduating from Purdue University in 1964 with an animal science degree. He went on to receive his Masters and PhD in animal science and environmental physiology from Purdue in 1968. At the University of Illinois, he established himself internationally for his acclaimed research, teaching and outreach programs in farm-animal environmental physiology, behavior and care.

During his pre-college days, Stan had a great deal of contact with people from the town of Culver; the Lake Maxinkuckee community, while working at the R and J Food Market on the East side of the lake; and the Culver Academies, while working at the Quartermaster (or QM) store on the Academies campus.

Stan also accompanied Dr. Oscar Wesson on countless calls that the veterinarian made to treat animals in the Culver area. Stan loved it when Dr. Wesson used the Motorola radio installed in his white 1957 Pontiac Chieftan hardtop to communicate with his wife, Lavina, who ran his office.

That being said, the main influence on Stanley's development aside from our home and extended family was Culver High School. The affect the school and other students had on Stanley was extremely positive and profound.

In addition to his academic excellence, Stanley was a wonderful musician who played the piano, organ, clarinet, and saxophone splendidly, winning the highest possible scores playing the clarinet at state band contests.

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William J. Graham, Colonel, U.S. Army, retired, was a WWII veteran of D-Day, the Battle of the Bulge, and other battles who led by example each and every day. His love for his students and the manner in which he taught his English and speech classes were profound.

Although the three graduating classes before mine each had only about 50 students, each one of these classes produced a National Merit Scholarship Finalist, and Stan was the finalist from the Culver class of 1960.

In addition, these three graduating classes had three students who became M.D.s, one who became a Doctor of Optometry, and Stan who earned a Ph.D. Five of 150 students from a small Indiana farm town earning doctorates was an impressive achievement. There's no doubt in my mind that Col Graham's guidance helped Stan to perfect his formidable writing and speaking skills – a gift that kept on giving.

Stan never tried to be the coolest guy in the class, the best dressed, the most popular or anything but himself. He provided help without hesitation to anyone who requested it, expecting nothing in return. He was never arrogant, never teased or bullied anyone, never looked down his nose at anyone, and never, ever treated anyone badly. He was not capable of such behavior.

I knew that Stan was a wonderful, loving, special, gifted human being before his high school graduation ceremony, but I'd never seen him speak in public before that night.

Stan gave a flawless, brilliant, confident, incredibly inspiring yet humble valedictory address in front of at least 500 people – the vast majority of whom were several decades his senior.

The Poplar Grove Methodist Church, five miles east of Culver on State Road 10, is where Stan and I went to church while we were growing up, and this was the church where Stan served as organist while he was a teenager. Stan was laid to rest in the cemetery behind the church, and beside our father. The circle of life on this earth is complete for our father and my brother, Stan.

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PHOTO SUBMITTED Stanley Curtis' 1960 senior photo.



PHOTO SUBMITTED A recent photo of the late Stanley Curtis.

Culver Community Middle School holds awards event

The Culver Community Middle School held their academic awards presentation on Friday, May 28. The Middle School recognized four outstanding eighth graders. The selection of these students was based on scholastic achievement, leadership, patriotism and service in school. Larry Spiewak and Don Keller of the Monterey American Legion presented certificates and medals on behalf of the Collins & Tasch American Legion, Fleet Post #399, Monterey.

The medal winners for Outstanding Achievement were Brittany Wilkman, daughter of Mr. John Wilkman and Michael Skiles, son of Ms. Patty Ricks. The Honorable Mention Awards went to Megan Deon, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Steve Deon and Dylan Bennett, son of Mr. and Mrs. Michael Bennett.

The following 8th grade students received the President's Award for Academic Excellence. This award is based on first and second Semester Honor Roll in 7th Grade and first semester honor roll in 8th grade and a Grade Point Average of 3.5 or above. Those students receiving this award were Hayes Barnes, Dylan Bennett, Ashley Braasch, Nicolas Carbone, Victoria Christlieb, Donnie Clark, Shane Comiskey, Caleb Dehning, Megan Deon, Trent Elliott, Victoria Elliott, Maeve Kline, Megan Lyczak, Caleb Nash, Stephen Paolini, Melissa Schalliol, Kayla Shaffer, Kennedy Thomas, Brittany Wilkman, and Timmy Wireman.

8th grade top Grade Point Average: Hayes Barnes; 7th Grade Top Grade Point Average: Haley Klimaszewski.

President's Academic Achievement Awards, 8th grade: Clayton Barger, Justin Croy, Samantha Howard, Shawn Russell, and Adam Tompos. 7th grade: Shelton Barger, Kena Dulin, Seth Gonzalez, Starr Howard, and Constancia Pena.

Awards were given out for 7th and 8th grade Outstanding Students in the following subjects:

8th, Language Arts: Stephen Paolini; Math: Stephen Paolini; Science: Caleb Nash; Social Studies: Ashley Braasch; PE/Health: Abby James and Hayes Barnes.

7th, English: Whitney Hopkins; Math: Megan Yeager; Science: Haley Klimaszewski; Social Studies: Riley Dare; PE/Health: Angela Lewellen and Michael Davidge.

Outstanding Band and Choir Students were recognized. Choir Award, 8th grade: Abby James and Timmy Wireman; 7th grade: Alecia Rearick and Michael Davidge; Band Director's Award: Caleb Dehning; Band Award, 8th grade: Sarah Boland; 7th grade: Johnathan Hopple.

National Jr. Honor Society New Members, 8th: Ashley Braasch, Meghan Purtell; 7th: Alex Anderson, Jerrod Betts, Katie Blocker, Michael Davidge, Alex Graham, Mickella Hardy, Shawnie Hayes, Whitney Hopkins, Frank Kline, Haley Klimaszewski, Angela Lewellen, Dustie Pier, Brandon Pinder, Tia Romig, Paxton Schmidt, Madelyn Strycker, Summer Turney, Megan Yeager, and Donna Zehner.

Student Council members, 8th: Amber Cowell, President, Maeve Kline, Clayton Barger, Denisha Brown, and Timmy Wireman. 7th: Michael Davidge, Vice President, Janele VanDePutte, Megan Yeager, and Haley Klimaszewski.

Class officers, 8th: Peyton Gavlick, President; Michael Skiles, Vice President; Caleb Dehning, Secretary. 7th: Frank Kline, President; Alonnia Montgomery, Vice President; Donna Zehner, Secretary.

Perfect attendance, 8th: Meghan Purtell, Emily Shidler. 7th: Colin Deon, Alex Graham, Mickella Hardy, Angela Lewellen, Elizabeth McElroy, Brendon Pinder, Paxton Schmidt, Donna Zehner. Two year perfect attendance in middle school: Emily Shidler.

Academic letters were awarded to 8th grade students who attained honor roll for five out of six in 7th grade: Hayes Barnes, Dylan Bennett, Ashley Braasch, Nicolas Carbone, Victoria Christlieb, Donnie Clark, Shane Comiskey, Caleb Dehning, Megan Deon, Trent Elliott, Victoria Elliott, Maeve Kline, Mark Lehman, Caleb Nash, Stephen Paolini, Cody Peterson, Nick Pritz, Jaclyn Rocco, Melissa Schalliol, Kayla Shaffer, Michael Skiles, Kennedy Thomas, Brittany Wilkman, Timmy Wireman.

Distinguished honor roll (all A Honor Roll for quarters 1, 2, 3 and semester), 8th: Hayes Barnes, Maeve Kline, and Stephen Paolini; 7th: Haley Klimaszewski, Madelyn Strycker, and Megan Yeager.

A-B honor roll (Quarters 1, 2, 3 and semester), 8th: Dylan Bennett, Ashley Braasch, Denisha Brown, Nicolas Carbone, Victoria Christlieb, Donald Clark, Shane Comiskey, Caleb Dehning, Megan Deon, Trent Elliott, Grace Lorenz, Megan Lyczak, Caleb Nash, Nick Pritz, Melissa Schalliol, Gunnar Shmidt, Kayla Shaffer, Kennedy Thomas, Brittany Wilkman, Timmy Wireman.

7th: Alex Anderson, Jerrod Betts, Katie Blocker, Michael Davidge, Alex Graham, Shelby Gross, Mickella Hardy, Whitney Hopkins, Frank Kline, Angela Lewellen, Elizabeth McElroy, Dustie Pier, Brendon Pinder, Alecia Rearick, Tia Tomig, Paxton Schmidt, Summer Turney, Donna Zehner.

Principal's Award, 8th: Savannah Bailey; 7th: Jeremy Penrod.

Brett Eastburn Perseverance Award: Justin Croy.

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of the money expected from the District will go towards the town's grant match, he added. Winters also noted Culver, unlike many surrounding communities, designed its sewer system from the beginning with separate lines for storm water and sanitary sewer disposal. "Our town fathers were forward thinking and kept them separate...from the beginning," he said.

Council President Sally Ricciardi noted it would be ideal for residents using sump pumps and other methods to pump excess storm water into the sanitary sewer, to consider routing such water into the storm water system.

Following the hearing, the Council also passed on second and third readings and ordinance codifying existing ordinances into a more streamlined format.

Council members complimented Culver's EMS, fire, and police departments for their work during the June 18 wind storm in clearing roads and facilitating citizen safety in damaged areas.

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Readers will nominate 'Best of the Decade' in Marshall County high school sports

The Pilot News Group is coordinating a nomination and balloting process that will determine "the Best of the Decade" in local high school sports. The time period is 2000-2009.

Categories are "Best Team," "Best Coach," "Best Female Athlete," and "Best Male Athlete."

Nomination forms appear in a large ad in this week's newspaper. The nomination forms will be published again in the Pilot News, Marshall County's daily newspaper, on Saturday, July 3; and Wednesday, July 7.

The nomination forms are posted online at www.thepilotnews.com.

Deadline to receive nominations is Saturday, July 10. Nomination forms should be returned to the Pilot News, or sponsors of the project.

Sponsors for "The Best of the Decade in Marshall County High School Sports" are CenturyLink, Treat's Squire Shop, The UPS Store, Hoosier Driving Academy and Dr. Viraj Patel Family Practice Medicine.

After nominations are received, The Pilot News Group will compile the nominees and publish official ballots for "Marshall County's Best of the Decade High School Sports." The official ballot will appear in the Pilot News on Monday, July 19; Wednesday, July 21; and Tuesday, July 27. The ballot will appear in Marshall County weekly newspapers on Thursday, July 22.

The official ballot will also appear online at www.thepilotnews.com.

This entire process will be driven by readers, with vote totals and "Best of the Decade" winners announced prior to the start of the 2010-11 school year.

"We think this will be a fun project for those in Marshall County and anyone who has close ties to Marshall County," said Rick Kreps, publisher of The Pilot News Group. "With class reunions and so much socializing going on during the summertime, conversations about 'Best of the Decade 2000-2009' should be energizing – and fun!"

Your newspaper encourages everyone to participate.

Culver Middle School girls take conference

By Jeff Kenney
Citizen editor

The Culver Community Middle School girls' track team made waves recently with its conference meet victory May 19, according to boys and girls coach Angie Joblonski. With eight teams present the CCMS boys' team took sixth place while the girls won with 92 points. Outstanding performances for the evening, with all time records, included student athletes Kayla Shaffer, Denisha Brown, Amber Cowell, Dylan Bennett, and Jacoda Anderson. The girls were particularly outstanding, noted Jablonski, in the 100, hurdles, 200, high jump, and relays.

Awards were given for Most Valuable Player (Jacoda Anderson and Kayla Shaffer), Most Improved (Cody Peterson and Denisha Brown), and Best Attitude (Colin Deon and Mickella Hardy).

CCMS' track teams included 12 girls and 14 boys, with the girls team comprised of Kayla Shaffer, Sarah Boland, Denisha Brown, Shakkira Harris, Natasha Harris, Megan Yeager, Mickella Hardy, Angela Lewellen, Kaylee Bailey, Lauren Large, Starr Howard, and Amber Cowell. The boys team included Justin Croy, Cody Peterson, Dylan Bennett, Timmy Wireman, Mark Lehman, Stephen Lehman, Caleb Nash, Bohdi Farquhan, Colin Deon, Shelton Barger, Jacoda Anderson, Jerrod Betts, and Donny Clark.

The girls team had three wins and two losses in regular meets, says Jablonski. Denisha Brown won the High Point Trophy at Conference, her second such win in as many years. Personal Bests and records were broken by Denisha Brown, Amber Cowell, Kayla Shaffer, and Dylan Bennett, who broke the schools record for pole vaulting.

"All in all, it was a great season," says Jablonski. "This was my first year coaching track for Culver, and will be my last. I'm moving back...to Chicago in August. I will miss these kids and thank the parents for supporting their kids through the season, and allowing me to get to know them."

College news

Saint Mary's College - NOTRE DAME — The following students have been named to the Saint Mary's College dean's list for the Spring 2010 semester. A student must achieve a grade point average of at least 3.4 on a 4.0 scale to earn academic honors at Saint Mary's. Local students that achieved this honor were: Kelly Reidenbach, Bremen, daughter of Mary and Steven; Brittany Payne, Culver, daughter of Susan and Gregory; and Elizabeth Brown, Plymouth, daughter of Beverly and Robert

Saint Mary's College, Notre Dame, Ind., is a four-year, Catholic, women's institution offering bachelor's degrees in more than 30 major areas of study.

St. Olaf College - NORTHFIELD, MINN. — James May, dean and provost of St. Olaf College, named Katherine Barnes from Culver to the St. Olaf College dean's list for the Spring 2010 semester. The dean's list recognizes St. Olaf students with a semester grade point average of 3.75 or higher on a 4-point scale. Katherine Barnes, daughter of Mitch and Cory Barnes, Culver.

Wells College - AURORA, N.Y. — Zhuojun Yang, a freshmen at Wells College in Aurora, N.Y., has been named to the dean's list for the spring 2010 semester. Zhuojun Yang is a resident of Culver.

To be eligible for dean's list, a student must carry a semester GPA of 3.5 or better and take a minimum of 12 letter-graded hours (four courses).

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VFW, CES, theater reward young READers

Culver Elementary School's final R.E.A.D. (Reading Encourages Adventures and Dreams) incentive the fourth nine weeks was a student trip to the Uptown Cinema in Culver to see, "How to Train Your Dragon," said READ director and CES kindergarten teacher Janna VanDePutte. Once again, \$450 to facilitate the trip was paid by Culver's V.F.W. Post 6919 Men's Auxiliary. Almost 400 CES students reached their reading goal for the fourth nine weeks. In the photo above, front row, from left to right, are kindergarten students Dylan McKee, Natalie Stevens, Cameron Minix, and Cole Rieckhoff. Back row, the VFW's Dave McKee, Rocky Bachman, teacher Janna VanDePutte, and Ken VanDePutte of the VFW.

Culver police warn of phone, mail scams

Culver Chief of Police Wayne Bean is warning Culver residents to be wary of scams perpetrated in the area, primarily by telephone and postal mail. Local police have responded to several such incidents in recent weeks, he notes.

Among telephone scams are calls asking the recipient to give out his or her bank routing, or checking account number, often followed shortly thereafter by someone trying to extract money from the potential victim's checking account. Some calls tell of the recipient having won sweepstakes money or other prizes, though the reward is usually outside the United States and gradually increasing fees are solicited from victims in order to get the money.

"If they want you to Western Union them some money," says Bean, "that should be a red flag. They may have you send it to California, and then it's sent to another country. Sometimes they have you send it right on to them in another country.

"There are so many different types of scams, people have got to be leery."

Bean notes that, unless you call a bank or credit card company yourself, you should always avoid giving out personal or financial information over the telephone or by postal or email. If someone calls claiming to be your bank or credit card company, hang up and call them back at a number you've verified is the correct one before giving out any information.

Another scam involved receiving what appears to be a ready-to-cash check in the mail. "Unless you signed up for it, if it's too good to be true, it probably is," Bean adds. He notes it's usually impossible to catch perpetrators of such schemes, most of whom are out of the country. The best thing to do with unsolicited checks or other alleged prizes sent via mail, he says, is "file it in the garbage."

And many prey on Culver's older residents.

"You can't let them intimidate you on the phone. Most prey on the elderly. You should be careful when you give your phone number out to (any entity) unless it's reputable. Some companies will sell your phone number."

Those with questions may call Culver's police department at 574-842-2525.

"We're trying to get the word out to people to be cautious," says Bean.

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cital (otherwise, the carillon is best heard outside, at least 300 feet away from the tower). Following the recital, Gouwens will offer a tour and demonstration of the instrument to all who are interested. Recitals will take place (all at 4:00) on July 3, 10, 17, 25, and 31, September 4, and October 2.

Kiwanis golf outing is July 16

Culver's Kiwanis Club will host its annual Children's Youth Programs Charity Golf Scramble at Mystic Hills golf course Friday, July 16. Registration check-in is at 8 a.m. This year's funds will benefit the Culver Boys & Girls Club and Riley Hospital for Children, as well as Kiwanis' Scholarship Endowment. Entry fees are \$260 per foursome or \$65 per individual. The fees include 18 holes of golf, food, soft drinks, awards reception, door prizes, and favors. Hole and prize sponsorships are also being sought. A hole sponsorship is \$150 per hole. Contact Julie Bess at 574-216-4205 with any questions or to obtain an entry form by July 15.

L'MAX registration open, volunteers sought

The L'MAX bike takes place as part of the Culver Lake Fest on Sunday morning, July 18 with sign-in from 7 to 11 a.m. This year, a Bike Barn mechanic will be on duty at the Culver beach lodge, the site of sign-in. L'MAX riders may choose from four distances to enjoy the day of the ride: 10 miles, 30 miles, 63 miles, and 100 miles, all starting at the Culver beach lodge, which will also serve as an SAG stop. Organizers Don Baker and Janet Halling are also looking for a few more volunteers willing to drive SAG wagons along the routes, or staff the SAG stops. Those interested, or with questions, may call 574-216-7180. Registration is open now, with forms available at the Bike Barn, 103 E. Lake Shore Drive, or online at www.culverlakefest.com. Before July 1, entry fees are \$20 per individual or \$40 per family, and after July 1, entry fees are \$25 per individual and \$50 per family. Free t-shirts are only guaranteed to those who register before July 1.

Culver museum extends hours

The Antiquarian and Historical Society of Culver announces new summer hours for its museum located on the lower level of the Culver-Union Township Public Library. Effective Tuesday, June 29, the

museum will be open as follows: Tuesdays, noon to 8 p.m., Wednesdays through Fridays, noon to 4 p.m., and Saturdays 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. This will be the first time the museum will be open for evening hours. As always, admission is free.

It has also been announced that dates have been extended for the traveling exhibit, "The Golden Age of Indiana Literature - 1800 to 1920" until July 13. The Maxinkuckee Yacht Club, which had its origins in the 1800s, is currently another featured exhibit.

Jet ski, golf cart raffled for charity

Culver's Kiwanis Club this summer is raffling off a 2010 Ultra LX jet ski (with lift and trailer) valued just under \$14,000 as well as a 2010 EZ-Go ST Sport golf cart valued at more than \$7,000. Raffle tickets are \$20 (one ticket) and \$50 (three tickets or multiples thereof). If enough tickets are sold by noon on September 6 (Labor Day Monday), a drawing for each item will take place at the town park in Culver. Proceeds will benefit Kiwanis and other local organizations assisting in the raffle, including Culver's Chamber of Commerce, the Lake Fest committee, and the Knights of Columbus. Tickets are available at Osborn's Mini-mart and Park N' Shop in Culver, or from any Culver Kiwanis member.

Children, caregivers invited to meals

Carin Clifton, Food Services Director for Culver Community Schools, reminds area residents of the FREE breakfasts and lunches provided via the school this summer. Any child 18 and under (or those with disabilities involved in a special education program, regardless of age) can eat FREE at the Culver Elementary School and other sites listed below. No income guidelines are required, and one doesn't have to be in the school district to enjoy a meal. Caregivers may purchase a lunch for \$3.25 and/or a breakfast for \$1.85, so, says Clifton, "Stop by and enjoy breakfast or lunch."

Sites and dates are: Culver Elementary School (through August 13) breakfast, 7:45-8:45 a.m.; lunch, 11:45 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.; Culver Community High School (through 25, Monday, Wednesday, and Friday only): breakfast, 8 to 9 a.m. (August 2 through 12) breakfast, 7 to 7:30 a.m.; lunch, 11 to 11:30 a.m.; Monterey Elementary School (August 2 through 6) breakfast, 7:45 to 8:15 a.m.; lunch, noon to 12:45 p.m. Aubbeenaubee Twp.

Community Building, Leifers Ford (June 7 through July 9) lunch, 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

Email class at CUTPL

Culver-Union Township Public Library will offer a free Email class Friday, July 2, at 10 a.m. For more information, call the Culver Library at 574-842-2941, visit our website at www.culver.lib.in.us or e-mail abaker@culver.lib.in.us.

Culver REAL Meals seeks new faces

Culver's REAL Services is encouraging area residents over the age of 60 to try out the nutrition site, located at the Beach Lodge, after checking the menu in the Culver Citizen each week. REAL Services needs 10 people or more in attendance each day in order to keep the site open. Those interested may call site coordinator Ruth Walker at 574-842-8878.

Yacht Club subject of museum display

Throughout this summer, the Center for Culver History museum and research center, located in the lower level of the Culver Public Library, will feature an exhibit on the more than 100-year history of the Maxinkuckee Yacht Club, including trophies, photos, and a host of historic artifacts spanning the decades. The museum, operated by the Antiquarian and Historical Society of Culver, is open Tuesdays through Saturdays, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., and admission is free.

Comm. garden work schedule

Culver's community garden's ongoing work schedule has been extended to also include Wednesday mornings at 10 a.m., in addition to the existing schedule of Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays at 5 p.m. Produce will be taken to the Culver food pantry as well as sold at the Farmer's Market, with proceeds going to the expense of the garden and to the food pantry. Any questions may be directed to Barb Quivey at Grace Church (574-842-2331, during morning hours) or Cory Barnes (574-842-8246 or 574-780-1491).

Farmer's Market open for business

The Culver Farmer's Market, sponsored by the Chamber of Commerce, will open every Saturday from 8 a.m. to noon through October 9. The market is located at the corner of Jefferson and Ohio Streets (across from CVS Pharmacy). New vendors are welcome. For space call Barb at 574-842-2648.

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Local VFW ladies win high honors at state convention

Convention Delegate Mary Lou Wise and husband Roger, delegate for the VFW, attended the Joint State Convention of the VFW's and Ladies Auxiliaries from Posts all across the State of Indiana. The Convention was held at the Indianapolis Marriott East from June 17 through 19.

Joint memorial services and opening sessions were held Friday morning, with business sessions beginning Thursday for the Ladies and Friday for the VFW.

Members of the Culver Ladies Auxiliary were the recipient of certificates of appreciation and cash awards in almost every program of the Auxiliary.

Voice of Democracy, with local Chairman Barbara Linhart, was awarded both National and Department Certificates and \$10. Patriots Pen, another Linhart program, was also awarded both National And Department Certificates and \$10. The Auxiliary's Make A Difference Day project, chaired by Patty Tolliver, received a Certificate and \$10. Tolliver, chair of the Veterans and Family Support program, received a "Best All-round Program in the State and was awarded a Certificate and \$15.

The State President's program to aid the veterans locat-

ed in the Indianapolis Domiciliary was promoted and the Auxiliary's participation with Mary Lou Wise's direction was presented a Certificate and \$10. President Margaret Dehne also received a certificate for the Auxiliary's Outstanding Support of the program.

Mary Lou Wise received certificates in the Legislative program: first place in Membership Division 4, \$25; and first place for Best Reporting, \$15. She also received a Membership Certificate for fourth place in state for her

local membership program and \$10. Also, stating a certificate for Information and reporting in the POW / MIA program, Wise received a POW / MIA scarf.

Saving the best 'til last, Wise received the First Place Newsletter Award with certificate and \$25. Wise has received this First Place Award many times in the past, and has received the National Award for First Place in Membership Division nine times when National was still rewarding Newsletters.

The Ladies held a memorial service for all deceased members in the state and Culver's Auxiliary had noted six deceased members in the Memorial Booklet.

Election of Officers for the 2010-2011 year were held Saturday afternoon, with Annette Hullinger of Angola elected as State President. Additional officers elected were Marie Siebert of Huntingburg as Senior Vice President; Gloria Faulk of Indianapolis as Junior Vice President; Jean Haggard of New Whiteland as Chaplain, Karen Muston of Evansville as Conductress; and Sharron Barger of Spencer as Guard. Roberta Yeager of Batesville was re-elected as Treasurer.

Wise also attended a cocktail party and meeting of the Past Department Presidents of the State hosted by Department President Laura Morando.

Sixteen past presidents attended and prior to closing the meeting, and after a short initiation, Morando was approved to become a member of the Past Department Presidents Club. Morando also hosted a dinner at the Marriott for the Past Presidents. Final meetings were closed on Saturday, with the Ladies officers installed Saturday afternoon and VFW officers to be installed Sunday morning.

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